

### Stories and songs:

This term, we will be exploring aspects of life in the Caribbean through sensory-based activities. The children will be introduced to simple stories, characters, and visuals originating from the region, supporting early awareness of different places and cultures in an accessible and meaningful way.

Music will play an important role in our learning, with plenty of opportunities to listen to and experience Caribbean sounds, including the rhythms of steel drums. During music sessions, the children will enjoy a range of familiar and new songs, such as the Cha Cha Slide, alongside counting and action songs linked to our theme.

### Literacy and Phonics:

For Sensory Story this term we will be experiencing a day on the life of a child in the Caribbean going to a carnival. We will smell and taste the food and listen to all the different sounds that might happen.

We will also be continuing to visit the school library each week where pupils can choose a story to share with an adult and a group of peers and practise interacting with book, including looking at the pictures and turning pages. We will also be on the hunt for any different books about different places around the world.

### Problem Solving and Reasoning:

The Early Maths objectives that we are working on this term are Sequencing and Language. This will involve exploring a variety of different objects and learning about how we can place objects in space.

We will also be experiencing a number of counting songs to model using numbers and developing the understanding that numbers can represent a quantity. We have lots of colourful props and objects to support the pupils' understanding. We will also be including some mathematical language related to position as well.

## Carnival: Caribbean Party!

### Flamingo Class



### How you can help at home:

We love to see and share what you are up to at home – please feel free to upload some pictures to Earwig for us to share with the class in school!

### Other Curriculum areas:

**Body Awareness:** This term we will have some new songs for our body awareness sessions including The Cha-cha Slide and Hot Hot Hot to get us in the carnival spirit. These sessions help support the pupils to remember where their body is in space at the beginning of the day and work on their early communication skills.

**Carnival party!:** For our computing this term we are going to be having a carnival party! We will be using switches to activate music and lights and developing out cause and effect skills.

**Outdoor Learning:** This term we will be doing our outdoor learning sessions in the Nature Nook which is a small garden at school. We will be “painting” the sheds and exploring different mark making activities outside.

**Cognition Baskets:** This term we will be starting to work on some individual cognition activities to support each of the pupils to work towards their targets. These will include hand function and maths activities and well as things that we know the children will enjoy!

**Whole School activities:** This term we will be joining the rest of the school to celebrate St George's Day, as well as having a Carnival Party all together and trying to meet up for social opportunities.

### Highlights:

23rd April - St George's Day  
7th May - Music for Autism